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For: XYLANASES, NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING

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## SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests entry on this Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

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